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Applicants' Request for Reconsideration was timely filed within the two-month response period set forth in Section 714.13 of the MPEP.

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